

CLAIMS

1. A VCO device comprising:
 - a plurality of VCO circuits for oscillating signals of
 - 5 frequencies corresponding to a control voltage applied to a frequency control voltage terminal, in different oscillation frequency ranges;
 - a current source circuit for respectively setting a driving current of each of oscillation transistors included in the plurality of VCO circuits;
 - 10 a signal selecting means for switching output signals of the VCO circuits;
 - a PLL for frequency-dividing a local signal selected by the signal selecting means, comparing a phase thereof with a phase of a reference signal and outputting a signal converted from a phase
 - 15 difference; and
 - a loop filter for smoothing the output signal from the PLL and outputting the control voltage for controlling the oscillation frequency.
- 20 2. The VCO device according to claim 1, wherein in order to equalize phase noises of the plurality of VCO circuits, based on a phase noise of an oscillation signal of a VCO circuit oscillating in a highest oscillation frequency range in the VCO circuits, current values of current source circuits of other VCO circuits are set.
- 25 3. The VCO device according to claim 1, wherein the current source circuit is a variable current source circuit.

4. The VCO device according to any one of claims 1 to 3,
comprising a current control means for switching current of the
variable current source circuit corresponding to the oscillation
5 frequency output from the VCO circuit.
5. The VCO device according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein
oscillation frequencies, which are output from the plurality of VCO
circuits respectively, partially overlap with each other and can be
10 varied continuously into a required oscillation frequency range.
6. The VCO device according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein
each of the plurality of VCO circuits has substantially equal
oscillation sensitivities by a change in the control voltage applied to
15 the frequency control voltage terminal and a change in oscillation
frequency corresponding to this control voltage.
7. The VCO device according to any one of claims 1 to 6,
comprising:
- 20 a plurality of VCO circuits for oscillating signals at different
frequencies corresponding to a control voltage applied to a frequency
control voltage terminal;
- a variable current source circuit for respectively setting a
driving current of each of the plurality of VCO circuits;
- 25 a high frequency signal processing means comprising a MIX
circuit connected to output signals from the plurality of VCO circuits
and a high frequency input signal selecting means;

a signal selecting means for switching the output signals of the VCO circuits;

a PLL for frequency-dividing a local signal selected by the signal selecting means, comparing a phase thereof with a phase of a reference signal and outputting a voltage signal converted from a phase difference; and

a loop filter for smoothing the output signal from the PLL and outputting the control voltage for controlling the oscillation frequency.

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8. The VCO device according to claim 7, wherein the high frequency input signal selecting means comprises a low noise amplifier, and further the low noise amplifier has a power supply ON/OFF function.

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9. The VCO device according to claim 8, wherein the high frequency input signal selecting means comprises a low noise amplifier and has a BPF circuit disposed at a former part or a latter part or both at the former part and the latter part of the low noise amplifier; the low noise amplifier has a power supply ON/OFF function; and further the BPF circuit has a tuning function capable of selecting frequencies.

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10. The VCO device according to any one of claims 3 to 9, comprising:

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a plurality of VCO circuits for oscillating signals of frequencies corresponding to a control voltage applied to a frequency control voltage terminal, in different oscillation frequency ranges;

a variable current source circuit for respectively setting a
5 driving current of each of the plurality of VCO circuits;

a high frequency signal processing means for mixing a local signal output from any one of the plurality of VCO circuits and a received signal input from a high frequency signal input terminal;

a received characteristics judging means for carrying out a
10 digital demodulation processing of an analog signal output from the high frequency signal processing means so as to judge received characteristics; and

a current control means for switching currents of the variable current source circuit by outputting voltage or current corresponding
15 to the digital signal output from the received characteristics judging means.